

NOSES COUNTED ONCE MORE

The Wilmington City election has been held and the Union Republicans have turned the city government over to the Democrats. Their plan for doing this was the necessity for counting noses, they pretending to believe that as a faction or a party they were stronger in the city than the Regular Republicans. Referring to the primaries before they were held the "State Sentinel," the official U. R. organ, said: "If the Regulars make good their claim to a superiority of numbers, we will gracefully acquiesce. If on the other hand the Unionists outnumber them, then we shall claim all the credit due us. We want the relative strength of the two factions determined."

At the primaries the U. R. polled half as many votes as the Regulars. They expected to poll as many or more and to then claim to be THE PARTY, demanding the withdrawal of the Regulars, but failing they said the noses counting must go to the election. Knowing they could not elect, and could only defeat the Regular ticket. The election was held, the noses were counted, as follows:

Mayor—Dr. J. C. Fahy, Democrat, 4,908; George W. Bush, Regular Republican, 3,478; William B. Clark, Addicks Republican, 1,750.

President of City Council—W. S. Alexander, Democrat, 4,647; W. S. Lednum, Regular Republican, 3,427; John Graham, Addicks Republican, 1,552.

City Treasurer—W. L. Hamann, Democrat, 4,735; W. H. Curry, Regular Republican, 3,416; Howard Staats, Addicks Republican, 1,552.

City Solicitor—Robert G. Harman, Democrat, 4,686; Henry C. Conrad, Regular and Addicks Republican, 5,114.

Out of twelve councilmen the Democrats elected nine, the Republicans three, the U. R. none.

The U. R. has noses counted again and secured the defeat of the Regulars. All over the State they are rejoicing at this result. It is their fourth victory for Democracy.

They defeated the election of Mr. Higgins or Col. duPont as Senator in '95.

They indirectly elected Kenney as Senator and Tunnell as Governor, Democrats, in '97 (election '96).

They robbed the State of a Republican Senator, the second time, in '99.

They defeated Geo. W. Bush for mayor by vilification in the "Sun," turning Wilmington over to John T. Dickey of "snake bill" fame.

When will the Republicans of Delaware have enough of Addicks and his U. R.—the salaried ones?

EDITORIAL VS. LOCAL

Several weeks since the TRANSCRIPT called attention to the abuse of the local columns of that most excellent weekly, the "Sunray Cal," to insinuate small politics in a way that seemed the editorial page did not approve. The local page attones this week, as it were, by telling the truth, discarding the very small and contemptible politics of its editorials.

The editor writes a regular Populist article upon "prosperity" ridiculing the idea that the people are enjoying any prosperity at this time. He appeals to the most ignorant and the most selfish. He says nothing of the fact that every man who wants work can have it to-day when three years ago men were begging for work that they might feed their families. He charges that local papers—three of them—were paid by the "goldbugs" to advocate a gold basis since the same matter appeared on the same day among the editorials of each of the three papers. The answer is plain. Every weekly receives circulars, special papers, etc., on topics of interest to those sending them. They suggest the use of their matter. There is no consideration of money. The writer has never used those articles but may have used their ideas because he thought them timely. There was no consideration for it. No one knows this state ment of facts better than the editor of the "Call," then what can be said of his efforts to deceive the public and to accuse his brother editors of political corruption—selling their supposed principles for money? Such a course but lowers the respect for newspaper editors—it is debasing. Here is a sample from the "Call."

"Now these same papers (the three charged) in Kent county and one in Sussex are firing up for the next campaign. How much they get for this wretched prostitution we do not know. It may be a mere pittance suitable to a petty hireling, but whether much or little it is just the kind of money that the man gets who murders his neighbor that he may get his purse. There may be a meat and bread excuse for this servility, but it is mighty bad bread and meat. Far better live in a hollow tree and feed on acorns and persimmons. Well, let it go at that. If what we have said doesn't break the skin we will cut under the hide some day and match the pell clean off."

But let the editors referred to attend to the mud slinger. Let's turn to the "Call" strawberry editorial vs. local. Here is the editorial:

"The farmer who bought his strawberry crates and baskets and paid his picker a cent and a half to fill each basket, selling the whole at the depot for about 2 or 3 cents a basket ought to write to his prospective editor to know what went with the wave of prosperity which was fanning things when strawberries set in. It must have been a salting wave which passed over in a couple of days leaving no track behind."

The above is a sample of the rot

preached by silverites. The editor desires to give the idea, and does give the idea, that a gold standard of value is responsible for the low price of strawberries. He could have claimed with equal truth that a single standard of money cooked the strawberries on the vines this week—rain or the lack of rain not being "in it" as supply and demand were not according to the "Call's" editorial. Let us turn to the local columns of the same paper. Hear it:

"While the growing of strawberries has been a profitable venture in the past, it is now overruled and the acreage is entirely too large, the pickers making more than the growers."

Here is the truth. It is supply and demand. It is simple. It is brief. It should shame the Populist editor who appeals to ignorance and prejudice. And moreover he is willing to risk the untold to tell his own bombastic ideas. Shameful politics! Dangerous methods!

PARTISAN PREJUDICE

The TRANSCRIPT quotes from a down-State exchange an excellent article on the Civil Service, which states the matter as more than nine-tenths of the people of the country believe in it and as they desire to have it, but in so doing the partisan editor makes a partisan attack upon our President and his President. Will not the editors of Delaware drop their partisan abuse, substituting argument? We shall have better feeling thereby. Every American to-day honors the name of Lincoln or pretends to. If any do not they are ashamed of their prejudice and hide it. Yet the editors remember when respectable citizens believed literally the statement that "Abe Lincoln has a black stripe down his back." Partisan editors and newspapers were responsible for that belief. If the President should die to-day the editor whom we shall quote would land him to the skies then why belittle the press to create and augment partisan prejudice among the people? Why do it? We endorse the views upon Civil Service; we deplore the prejudice against the President in the following article:

"McKenney as candidate believed in the extension of the Civil Service, McKinley as President in the early days of this week, contracted the Civil Service requirements as applied to four thousand office holders. This action of the President should not cause any surprise to those who have watched the career of Wm. McKinley. He is a policy man under all conditions and circumstances, a weakling who is governed by the sentiments which surround him at the banquet table. The denunciation of this act by the Democrats, comes not from the fact that they are warm supporters of the policy of Civil Service, but because of the hypocrisy of the individual and the Republican press which is supporting him in his action. So far as the Civil Service regulations are concerned, they were created and are maintained for the sole purpose of making it easy for those elevated gentlemen who do not care to be annoyed by the importunities of those who are desirous of occupying the lesser places. They have never been applied to the positions in which the emoluments of office were of sufficient importance to attract those who are in personal favor with the dispensers of patronage and never will. In order that a man should occupy position and place there should be the requirement of competency, but the requirement should be made of Democrats under a Democratic administration and of Republicans under a Republican administration."

SUSSEX COUNTY

The pea canning factory of Greenbaum Brothers, at Seaford, the largest in the State, has opened, giving employment to 400 persons.

The Queen Anne Railroad Company has chartered the Steamer B. S. Ford to aid in handling the contemplated large excursion business between Baltimore and Rehoboth. The first Sunday excursion to Rehoboth will be given to-morrow.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is having the route of the railroad from Rehoboth station down the beach past the Hotel Douglas surveyed and staked. This road will be one hundred and fifty feet beyond the hotel to the head of Rehoboth bay.

It is a matter of pride to the people of Laurel to contemplate its rapid growth and advancement. Within a decade the town has doubled its value in buildings and its commercial importance. —Sussex Courier. (Respectively referred to Middle-town's leading citizens.)

The Methodist Episcopal Church at Ocean View was dedicated free of debt. The church cost about \$3,200 and \$2,000 of the amount was raised before the dedication; the remainder \$1,200 was raised by the sale of the dedication, which enables the trustees to pay off the entire indebtedness.

Ex-Marshall Hewson E. Lannan, of Wilmington, has purchased the tract known as "Narborough's Addition," near Ashland Station on the Queen Anne's railroad. The farm contains 234 acres and has a handsome residence, barn, tenement house and excellent springs. The dwelling is situated on a hill and commands a splendid view of the surrounding country.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 2 to 6 drops to a teaspoonful. It goes directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by DRUGGISTS, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Fulton just now is busier than for many years. The basket factories are running full time, work is being pushed on the new cannery, and the old canneries are getting ready to can tomatoes.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

President McKinley will issue no call for volunteers for the Philippines for some time, if at all. Owing to the rainy season, no extensive military operations will be conducted in the Philippines before fall. Gen. Otis has reported that 30,000 men are all that he will need, and regulars will be sent to him in sufficient numbers to keep his army at about that number and will allow all of the volunteers who wish to do so, to return home and be mustered out. Gen. Otis has also been authorized to enlist as many natives as he cares to. Adjutant Gen. Corbin says that all the volunteers will be on their way home in the course of five or six weeks.

The speeches made when the new Spanish minister was presented to President McKinley were out of the ordinary, in the matter of plain language. The minister said: "I have come to renew the relations of friendship, which have existed from of old between Spain and the U. S., and which were interrupted by the war of last year. The treaty of Peace which Spain has signed put an end to that war, and now, looking only to the future, Spain desires that her relations with this republic may be as friendly as they were in times past, and from the days in which this country was struggling to gain its independence." President McKinley said in reply: "You will find, Mr. Minister, a cordial welcome in this country, not only from those whose friendship you acquired during your former residence, but from all our people, who rejoice as I do at the renewal of the ancient bonds of amity which, with a brief interruption, have united our nations for more than one hundred years. That these friendly relations may be confirmed and strengthened, to the advantage of both people, is my earnest wish, and I can assure you that every member of this government will heartily co-operate with you to that desirable end."

There is naturally much gossip in official and diplomatic circles about the official announcement that Germany has purchased from Spain its remaining island possessions in the Pacific, paying \$5,000,000 therefor. A member of the Cabinet was asked whether the Government felt any concern about the deal, replied: "No; why should it? We have acquired everything we want in that quarter." It is now recalled with amusement that while the Paris Peace Conference was going on, the German newspapers, known as governor organs, fairly teemed with editorials telling the U. S. to be just and liberal to its fallen foe, and pointing out the greatness of magnanimity in a nation. It was thought at the time that these articles were printed because of the sympathy of the German government for Spain, instead of being inspired by the selfish desire to keep the United States from taking islands that Germany had already bargained to buy, if they were not taken.

"Private" Dalzell, who knows Ohio politics from top to bottom has just returned from the state. He speaks with enthusiasm of the republican ticket and platform, and says there are no serious schisms in the republican ranks. He predicts that Judge Nash will be elected Governor by a majority of not less than 50,000, and says he will not be surprised if it goes 200,000 higher.

If Col. Henderson, of Iowa, isn't the next Speaker of the House, his friends will be the most surprised men who ever took part in a good-natured contest for an hour within the republican party. It will require 93 votes to nominate in the republican caucus. Col. Henderson's friends say that they are already assured of more than that. The withdrawal of Mr. Hopkins, of Ills., in Col. Henderson's favor, leaves Col. Henderson the only Western candidate, and gave his candidacy a boom that has already attracted promises of support from other sections. The supporters of Representatives Sherman and Payne, of New York, now the only candidates against Col. Henderson, are working to bring about a withdrawal of one of them in favor of the other. New York will decide this week which of them shall have the united support of its delegation. Mr. Payne was in Washington a day or two ago, on his way to Alaska with a Congressional party, but he declined to discuss the Speakership question. Republicans, regardless of their preference are congratulating themselves upon the good feeling with which the Speakership contest has so far been conducted, and predicting that it will be continued to the end, in the same manner. So far as known, not a single word derogatory of any candidate has been uttered by the friends of another.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Cures swollen feet, blisters and callous spots. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for ingrowing nails, sweating, hot, aching feet. At all druggists and shoe stores. 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address: Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

CONVENTION NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad. For the National Educational Association Convention, to be held at Los Angeles, Cal., July 10 to 14th, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets via direct routes from points on its line, to Los Angeles, Cal., and return, at rate of "single fare for the round trip, plus \$2.00 membership fee." These tickets will be sold, good going, June 24th to July 7th and, when stamped by Joint Agent at Los Angeles, good to return, arriving at final destination, until September 5th. For further information apply to Ticket Agents.

MY MARYLAND.

The Patterson Farm, in Sassafras Neck, has been bought by Mr. William K. Lockwood, trustee, for \$5,000.

Mrs. Marcelline Lucas, widow of the late Postmaster Charles M. Lucas was appointed postmistress of Chestertown on Tuesday.

The Democratic State Editorial Association will meet in Snow Hill on June 17. They go by boat and spend Sunday at Ocean City.

The tax rate for Queen Anne's county has been fixed at 80 cents on the hundred dollars, being a reduction of twenty cents from last year's rate. The county has also a balance in the treasury of over \$30,000, sufficient to pay all its indebtedness except bridge bonds. This is an excellent showing and reflects considerable credit upon the administration.—Cecil Democrat.

The citizens of Talbot county want Rear Admiral Dewey to become a resident of that county and have formally extended him an invitation. As an inducement, the leading citizens offer to present him "The Rest," the residence of the late Admiral Buchanan.

"The Rest" is situated on Miles River, about six miles from Easton, and is one of the handsomest residences on the Eastern Shore.

The Democrats of Kent nominated the following county ticket on Tuesday: Senator, Harrison W. Vickers. House of Delegates, George E. Nowland, R. Heston Hicks. State's attorney, William M. Slay. Sheriff, Charles L. Gill.

County treasurer, James T. Ireland. Orphans' Court, John S. Newman. Victor Hendrickson, Samuel Burgess. County Commissioners, First district, Thomas C. Roe; Second district, Isaac Cleaver; Fourth district, John Brice.

County surveyor, H. H. Gresham.

A romance of half a century, a story of sorrow and resigned faithfulness, reaches a happy climax next Wednesday, when Dr. Alfred Stille, of Philadelphia, aged 55 years, is to be married to Miss Katharine A. Blackiston, aged 50 years, of Chestertown, Md. The ceremony will take place at St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, and will be performed by the rector, the Rev. Elwood Worcester. The bride-to-be is a member of an old Eastern Shore of Maryland family. She was educated at St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, N. J., and has one sister, with whom she resides, and a brother, James D. Blackiston, of Cumberland, one of the best known lawyers in Western Maryland. Dr. Stille's first wife died about six weeks ago, after a separation from her husband of almost half a century, the greater portion of which was spent in an asylum. But for the fact that Dr. Stille does not believe in divorce he might long ago have secured a legal separation but he steadfastly refrained from doing so.

SUMMER OUTINGS Personally-Conducted Tours via Pennsylvania Railroad

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces the following Personally-Conducted Tours for the Summer and early Autumn of 1899:

To the North, including Niagara Falls, Toronto, Thousand Islands, the St. Lawrence, Montreal, Quebec, Roberval (Lake St. John), the Saguenay, Au Sable Chasm, Lakes Champlain and George, Saratoga, and a daylight ride through the Highlands of the Hudson, July 22 to August 7. Rate, \$125; August 12 to 25, visiting same points as first tour except Roberval and the Saguenay. Rate, \$100 for the round trip, from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington. Proportionate rates from other points.

To Niagara Falls, excursion tickets good to return within ten days will be sold on July 27, August 10 and 24, September 7 and 21, October 5 and 19, at rate of \$10 from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington. These tickets include transportation only, and will permit of stop over within limit at Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua, and Watkins on the return trip.

Five-day tour to Gettysburg, Luray, and Washington September 16. Rate, \$35 from New York, \$22 from Philadelphia. Proportionate rates from other points.

An eleven-day tour to Gettysburg, Luray Caverns, Natural Bridge, Virginia Hot Springs, Richmond, and Washington, October 19. Rate, \$65 from New York, \$35 from Philadelphia. Proportionate rates from other points.

For itineraries and further information apply to ticket agents, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Philadelphia.

1899 SPRING ARRANGEMENT

THE NEW IRON STEAMER CLIO

Capt. E. E. TRUAX WILL LEAVE

ODESSA AND PORT PENN FOR PHILADELPHIA

AND RETURN FROM

PIER 5, NORTH WHARVES

as follows:

Odessa, Thursday, 1, 4 p.m. Friday, 2, 12 p.m. Saturday, 3, 8 p.m. Sunday, 4, 5 p.m. Monday, 5, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 6, 10 p.m. Wednesday, 7, 12 p.m. Thursday, 8, 10 p.m. Friday, 9, 12 p.m. Saturday, 10, 12 p.m. Sunday, 11, 12 p.m. Monday, 12, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 13, 12 p.m. Wednesday, 14, 12 p.m. Thursday, 15, 12 p.m. Friday, 16, 12 p.m. Saturday, 17, 12 p.m. Sunday, 18, 12 p.m. Monday, 19, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 20, 12 p.m. Wednesday, 21, 12 p.m. Thursday, 22, 12 p.m. Friday, 23, 12 p.m. Saturday, 24, 12 p.m. Sunday, 25, 12 p.m. Monday, 26, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 27, 12 p.m. Wednesday, 28, 12 p.m. Thursday, 29, 12 p.m. Friday, 30, 12 p.m. Saturday, 31, 12 p.m. Sunday, 1, 12 p.m. Monday, 2, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 3, 12 p.m. Wednesday, 4, 12 p.m. Thursday, 5, 12 p.m. Friday, 6, 12 p.m. Saturday, 7, 12 p.m. Sunday, 8, 12 p.m. Monday, 9, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 10, 12 p.m. Wednesday, 11, 12 p.m. Thursday, 12, 12 p.m. Friday, 13, 12 p.m. Saturday, 14, 12 p.m. Sunday, 15, 12 p.m. Monday, 16, 12 p.m. Tuesday, 17, 12 p.m. 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Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10:30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7:30. Sabbath school will be held every Sabbath morning at 9:45 o'clock. H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 2 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m. Rev. Wm. A. Wilkie, pastor. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month at 10:30 a. m. In all other Sundays at 7:30 a. m. Divine services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning prayer and every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. Evening prayer on Monday at 8 p. m. and on Wednesday at 8 p. m. and on Friday at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Guild meets every Thursday at 3 p. m. The Ladies on the first, the Boys' Club on Friday evenings at 7:30 and the Junior Auxiliary on Saturdays at 3 p. m.

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NOTICE.

Because of illness many subscriptions paid recently have not been changed on the labels though properly credited in the subscription books. Prompt notice should be given of failure to receive paper, or if town carrier does not leave paper where desired.

Local News.

—There is only one person you need to manage, and that is yourself.

—White Leghorn Eggs 50 cents per setting. Wm. R. Reynolds.

—Children's Day at Armstrong Chapel to-morrow afternoon. Cordial greeting to all.

—Dr. W. E. Barnard, Surgeon Dentist, Office South-east corner of Main and Scott streets.

—Copies made from Tin Types or any other pictures of any description at Trinkle's Studio.

—The Festival at Armstrong's will be well attended and quite a success. \$38.00 sent the net receipts.

—Shirts, 10c; Cuffs, 4c; Collars, 2c. All work guaranteed to be the best.—Lee Sign, North Broad Street.

—The Odessa correspondent gives an interesting report of the reunion at Old Drawers last Sunday.

—The stewards of Kirkwood M. E. Church are holding a festival, last evening and this Saturday evening.

—A reunion of the members of the last Legislature will be held in August. The June date, coming at harvest, was postponed.

—Don't forget the entertaining and instructive Bethesda Epworth League. Meetings every Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock.

—If you are going to marry, you need a nicely gotten-up invitation. Call at The Transcript and get our prices and see samples.

—A sturgeon weighing 200 pounds and measuring eight feet ten inches long was caught in the Susquehanna River at Port Deposit a few days ago.

—The latest thing in butter making is the Wheeler Gravity Cream Separator. Price from \$4 to \$11.00. For sale by J. P. McGowan & Son.

—If you are going out of town for an outing leave your address at The Transcript office and the paper will follow you. It is the only way to keep posted on town affairs.

—The school election came last Saturday and went with few knowing or caring for the event, seemingly. Messrs. G. D. Kelley and E. S. Jones were re-elected commissioners.

—The man who is always condemning a newspaper and saying that nobody reads it always knows what it is in it soon after it is issued. This is one of the mysteries of newspaper life.

—AGENTS WANTED.—To take orders for my specialties in Roses, Shrubs, Fruit and Ornamental Stock. I have a few specialties that sell at \$100. Write for terms. C. L. Yates, Rochester, N. Y.

—Mr. C. F. Crockett has built a new pavilion at Chesapeake City, music every afternoon and Tuesday and Friday evenings. Erickson steamers run daily excursions. Best of order. Public invited.

—A man acquainted with Dombay Hook, is authority for the statement that there are three men living in sight of each other on the island, who have 99 children—one 22, another 20 and the third 18.

—One day the past week a berry train was run from Delmar to Wilmington, a distance of ninety-seven miles, in eighty-seven minutes, including a stop at this station for water, where nearly four minutes were lost.

—The closing exercises of Miss Hodges' Select Primary School were held yesterday afternoon. The little folks did their enthusiastic teacher all justice and the mammas present were very proud of "my child."

—This season has demonstrated, says the Sentinel, that asparagus is much more profitable to the grower than strawberries. Strawberries at 75 cents to \$1 a crate, and asparagus at \$1.75 to \$2 marks a wide difference.

—The bondsmen for Levi C. Scott, tax collector of St. Georges Hundred are Alexander Maxwell, M. B. Burris and John T. Dickey. For Edward Hart, Appoquinimink, G. M. D. Hart, John S. Lattomus and Henrietta V. Parris.

—At the annual election of Union Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., on Tuesday evening the following were elected: Wm. J. Jos. G. Jolly, Jr., W. J. H. Hastings, Jr., Wm. J. Jos. A. Suydam, Treasurer, Jos. L. Gibson, Secretary, A. G. Cox.

—Out of respect for the late president of the Pennsylvania railroad, Frank Thomson, whose death occurred Monday, the superintendent's office at Clayton and the Wilmington office have been draped in mourning and the flag placed at half mast.

—The reunion, once-year service, at Old St. Anne's, just south of town, will be held to-morrow morning at 10:30; sermon by Rev. W. J. Wilkie, rector. 'Tis said there are those who attend no other religious service during the year, yet faithfully observe this one.

—As is usual at the time of the year when the warm weather sets in there is a noticeable falling off in attendance at the churches. If some woman would start the fad of wearing loose wrappers to church on warm Sundays and some man would come out in a soft shirt and no collar, others would probably follow their example and ministers would have more hearers. The person who stays away from church and Sunday school on account of the hot weather will probably some day have a more terrible heat to deal with than he suffered in the Church.—E. L.

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FARM and GARDEN

A COMBINATION RACK.

A Hayrack Convertible Into a Box,
Wood or Feed Rack.

The combined hay and hog rack pre-
sented in the cut is the arrangement of
an Ohio Farmer correspondent, who says:

The silos, AA, of this rack are 2 by 8
and 16 feet in length. The cross benches,
BB, are 2 by 4 and of a length to suit
the width of the wagon. These are
bolted to the silos with half inch bolts
10 inches long. These bolts are found
to be somewhat short, but should be
countersunk from the underside of the
silos and a small nail driven in crosswise
through the silo to prevent the bolt from
being lost should a nut happen to work
loose and drop off. The nuts are on the
top side where they can easily be seen.
The corresponding cross benches, CC,
on the wings are 3 feet 8 inches in
length and made of 2 by 4 stuff. These
are cut, as shown in the engraving, to
slide on over the silos and fit under the

boards DD in the center of the rack.
These boards should be 2 by 8 and cut
right length to reach, as shown in il-
lustration. Where the wing benches
CC intersect these boards they should be
beveled, as shown at E, making a
stronger and better fit. The side boards
or wings are the same length as the
silos and should be 1 by 8, and are
nailed and bolted to benches CC.
The end rollers, GG, are made of 2
by 4 stuff and fitted into 2 inch holes
in the ends of the silos. The rollers
should be mortised to receive the end
gates or ladders standing, as shown in
the cut, and mortised long enough so
the end gates can be removed at will
and have standards erected for hay-
ing purposes. The illustration shows
end gates for hog rack, and the dotted
lines continue out show ladder ar-
rangements for hayrack, which are
made separate and changed at will to
convert it into a hog rack or hayrack.
As a hog rack, box to haul stove
wood, drapings, pumpkins, etc., the
wings are erected into the clips shown
on side of silos, the bottom floored over,
and gates erected into mortises in rollers
and hooked to staples in the side
boards or wings. This makes a nice
large box for carrying hay, straw, etc.
In fall and winter I detach the wings
of this rack, and placing it on the low
down wagon, it makes an excellent feed
rack.

Planting Cucumbers, Melons, Etc.

For a number of years my practice
has been to plant cucumbers, melons
and similar plants on ridges manured
in the row. The results are better than
with flat culture or manuring in the
hill. We plant cucumbers from about

the middle of June until through the
first week of September. In July, first,
furrows are run across the field at five
feet apart, and manure is scattered
along the furrows (a in the figure);
then two more furrows are plowed
around the first, forming the ridge over
the manure. After leveling down the
top the hills are made four feet apart,
says a correspondent of Vick's Monthly.

Manure on Sugar Beet Land.

We have been taught that farm ma-
nures should not be applied to land in
the spring prior to growing a crop of
sugar beets, and that the use of large
quantities of nitrogenous fertilizers is
antagonistic to high quality. Experi-
ments on the station farm at Geneva,
New York, do not support these conclu-
sions. On the station farm, beets grown
on land to which was applied in the
spring ten cords per acre of barn ma-
nure were as a whole richer than those
with or without commercial fertilizers,
were healthier and in appearance were
a more satisfactory crop. Large addi-
tions of nitrogen, as nitrate of soda and
dried blood, did not appear to depress
the proportion of sugar.

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MUSKMELONS.

Methods of Growing Them and Pre-
venting From Insects.

Place from 15 to 20 seeds in each hill
to insure against failure in germination.
Insect troubles, etc. They should al-
ways be planted sideways or flat for best
results in germination. Press them into
the soil, covering not over one inch in
depth. By firming the soil in the usual
way the back of the hoe germina-
tion is hastened. Cultivation must be
continued, both to a good depth and at
comparatively frequent intervals. As
the plants grow larger lessen it, and
when the foliage covers most of the
area stop it altogether. The amount of
hoeing depends upon the nature of the
ground, but should be resorted to at
least every week or ten days at first to keep the plants growing.
After heavy dashing rains or in ex-
tremely dry weather a slight amount of
hoeing loosens the soil.

As soon as the plants are sufficiently
established thin them to four plants in
a hill. Pruning or pinching off the end
of the vine is often resorted to when
the plants are a few feet in length in
order to force out the lateral growth,
which bears the fruit. This is seldom
practiced, however, by large growers.
It is also advisable to remove all fruit
that sets too late to mature in order to
strengthen the others. The foregoing
cultural points are presented by Pro-
fessor F. W. Rane in "The Rural New
Yorker," where he also advises as follows
about insects:

Insects are sometimes very trouble-
some, especially the small yellow leaf
beetles, the striped cucumber beetle,
yellow black stripes, and the spotted
cucumber beetle, yellow with 13
black spots on its back. These insects
live over winter under leaves, rubbish,
etc., and beguile their attacks as soon as
the first true cotyledons leaves make
their appearance. They are very active,
and if the vines are neglected even for
a day when the insects are numerous
they will be practically destroyed. By
liberally spreading tobacco dust upon
and around the plants as soon as the
insects make their appearance they may
be kept off. The dust may be purchased
from seedsmen.

Another insect liable to be trouble-
some is the common squash bug. The
best remedy is to hand pick and destroy
it in the cooler portions of the day. If
boards are placed about the hills, the
bugs will take refuge under them. The
eggs, which are usually laid in clusters
on the leaves, are also easily destroyed.
Worms and insects do more or less
damage by working into the melon
where the fruit comes in contact with
the ground. To overcome this place
something under the fruit—small pieces
of board, stones, etc. Mildew sometimes
affects both the leaves and fruit. For
this spray with the bordeaux mixture.

One Way to Put Pigs Out to Grass.

While among the farmers in Wiscon-
sin we ran across a novel device—a
movable pigpen, which many of our
readers who keep in a pen pigs which

they want to put out to grass will find
very useful, says a Farm and Fireside
writer. The illustration will show how
it is made. A pair of old wheels of any
kind will answer. One corner is roofed
over and floored for a sleeping pen or
shelter during a storm. A trough is also
permanently attached to the opposite
corner.

The pen can be readily shifted from
place to place each day, thus giving the
pigs a fresh place and new grass con-
tinually.

A Surprise in Potato Fertilizing.

This surprising discovery was made at
the Geneva (N. Y.) station in potato
tests with different amounts of potash in
otherwise equivalent fertilizer mix-
tures. "Notwithstanding the large
quantity of potash taken from the soil
by potato tubers, 60 pounds in 200
bushels, the crops on the four farms in
test resulted to find a sufficient supply
of this element in the natural
soil, for the plants receiving only nitro-
gen and phosphoric acid averaged slightly
more than those receiving one-third
or two-thirds the full amount of potash
per acre and only a fraction of a bushel
less than that receiving the entire 100
pounds."

Agricultural Brevities.

For grape anthracnose spray just be-
fore the buds open, just after blossoming,
just after the fruit has set, and
ten days later, with bordeaux. Don't
spray after the fruit is half grown.

I have used waxed paper since it was
first suggested for strawberries and find
it pays for it. At stock for fency and local
trade. Berries wrapped in waxed paper
when perfectly dry and cool and picked
just prior to two days, says a New Jersey
grower in Rural New Yorker.

Poisonous bait made by mixing 50
pounds of wheat bran with two quarts
of molasses and one pound of Paris
green with water enough to make a
thick mass and distributing it among
the plants attacked in accordance with
the Maryland station for controlling the
cutworm.

Raspberry and blackberry plants are
benefited by continuous cultivation
during the time of fruiting, and to ac-
complish this they should be tied to
wires, says W. J. Green of Ohio.

A remarkable apple among the later
introductions is the Bismarck. The
fruit is large and handsome, yellow and
red in color, the flesh tender and sub-
acid. The dwarf tree is a heavy bearer.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional pro-
vision which will become opera-
tive before the next general elec-
tion is held, of which the general
public may not be aware, although
it has been published in connection
with the Constitutional Convention. It
is an educational treat. It is "that no person
who becomes of age or who is natural-
ized after January 1st, 1900, shall
be permitted to vote who shall
not be able to read the Constitu-
tion in English, and be capable of
writing his name."

"Like diamonds raindrops glisten,"
Drops of Hood's Sarsaparilla are precious
jewels for the blood which glisten in their
jewels.

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It Was the Right Letter.

John was a bashful lover and had
been calling on Mary for three years,
but that was as far as he got until, visit-
ing St. Louis on business, he found him-
self detained beyond the expected time.

He had to write to Mary, explaining
his absence on the evening and, with
writing, the message he had long
wanted to send to her and he made
a point blank proposal of marriage. He
mailed the letter, and for two hours
was one of the happiest men in Mis-
souri.

Then he began to believe he had been
precipitate and was assailed with doubt
as to how his letter would be received.
That night he didn't sleep. He thought
all sorts of things, and vainly wished
he could intercept the letter before it
reached her. But that was manifestly
impossible.

It was not until noon the next day
that he received an inspiration as he
was passing a telegraph office. Rushing
in, he seized a blank and nervously
penned the following:

Mrs. Mary—Chicago, Ill. Yesterday. Please
do not open, and deliver to me on my return.
After that he breathed free, at the
same time wondering if he hadn't
played the fool in not letting the mat-
ter stand. That evening a telegram was
awaiting him at the hotel. It read:

John—St. Louis:
Your mail reached right letter. It was about
time.

And John didn't allow business to
interfere with his return to Chicago—
Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Trick of the Camera.

One of the many camera fiends of
this city has recently been showing his
friends a very unusual photograph of
himself, caught in the act of falling
from a ladder, and seeming to be
winning candidate for a broken neck.
In spite of the fact that the injury seems
so certain the tumbler's face wears a
cheerful smile, and on close inspection
may be seen to be winking his eye mis-
chievously at you as well as the force
of gravity. In reply to questions he ex-
plained that that was an accomplish-
ment acquired only after long practice.

"I could pose for that picture all day
long with no serious injury to myself,
except waste of time and a little